

WEATHER REPORT.  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Cloudy this p. m., tonight and Tuesday; possibly showers Tuesday; light N to S wind. Northern California: Fair tonight and Tuesday, except on coast northward; cloudy; possibly rain Tuesday.

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## PRIMARY MAY BE CALLED BY THE NEW COMMITTEE

### Republican Sentiment Seems to Be Growing in Favor of the Plan.

There is no change of note in the local political situation save that Republican sentiment is even more strongly behind the Committee of Twenty-eight than at first. There is a general feeling that party control should be permanently wrested from the domination of a narrow, selfish proscriptive, boss-controlled faction that is a perpetual menace to party integrity. The determination is well-settled that the Republican party shall control and not Henry P. Dalton, who has always fought the party when he could not boss it.

A decided sentiment has developed, in favor, however, of returning to the primary method of choosing delegates to the municipal convention. That method was broken down when the Dalton-Marder combine obtained control and the domination of that discredited clique has been maintained by a denial of the right of the body of the Republican electorate to participate in the choice of delegates to nonvoting conventions.

Now that Dalton has lost control of the City Central Committee the desire is expressed on all sides for a primary. Undoubtedly great pressure will be put upon the Committee of Twenty-eight to call a primary in accordance with ancient party usage. Indeed several members of the committee have expressed themselves in favor of calling a primary for the election of delegates to the municipal convention.

#### NOT OF THE LUKENS KIND.

While the sentiment in favor of a primary is strong it is coupled with a determination to have it fair and free from the disgraceful methods which characterized the recent Lukens primary in the Twenty-seventh Senatorial District.

The lavish use of money in behalf of Lukens was a matter of public notoriety, and all sorts of disreputable non-resident characters voted all over the district to the discredit of the Republican party and the shame of the men who employed them.

Republicans cannot be got to approve of a primary like the shameful one engineered by the Lukens-Dalton element in the Twenty-seventh Senatorial district, but they stand ready to back one that will permit a full, free expression of Republican sentiment.

Thus the pressure on the Committee of Twenty-eight to call a primary will be coupled with a demand that it be conducted cleanly and honestly, and that only actual Republican voters shall be permitted to participate in it. The shameful bribery and repeating that was such a notorious feature of the Senatorial primary will not be tolerated.

#### COURSE OF THE COMMITTEE.

Nobody can say what the committee will do until an organization is effected because there has been no consultation between the members as yet and nobody can assume to speak for them. Nevertheless several of the members openly express their preference for a primary. They think that the voters of the party should be given a chance to speak their mind both as to the nominees and the future organization of the party.

Though the situation is nebulous to a certain extent, it can be safely said that there is a strong sentiment both inside and outside the committee, and the proposition to hold one can only be voted down after a struggle.

Several of the Committeemen were interviewed, but they said they preferred to wait until after the Committee had met and organized before making statements to the public.

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#### WHAT COMMITTEEMEN SAY.

Other Committeemen talked in a similar vein though none would speak for publication. Said one who is known all over the city as a leading and representative Republican:

"What the Committee should do is to call a regular party primary. I have always been in favor of a primary and I was in favor of holding primaries when Mr. Dalton put an end to them on the ground that a convention selected by a primary could not be relied upon to do its duty. The results of Mr. Dalton's plan have not been satisfactory to the Republicans nor to citizens generally. Neither have they shown the wisdom of holding primaries. We have a city government which is respectable, and imbecile—an utter failure so far as accomplishing the purpose for which it was installed is concerned. It stands confessedly incompetent, yet nothing has been stolen. One reason for this is that it has no cohesion and is irresponsible. There is no compact party organization behind it. What ever allegiance it owes and whatever obedience it gives is to two or three individuals and not to the party organization. Nominally Republican, it is not regarded as Republican by the mass of Republican voters; is not representative of the party or any organized public sentiment. I favor a plebiscite of the Republicans—a return to orthodox Republican practices. The assumption that this city must have a personal government of fools if it would not be governed by knaves offends me by its senseless arrogance and is an insult to public intelligence. Call a primary and the people will do the rest."

"I want a primary," said another. "Give the voters a chance and we will not have to choose between government by bosses and government by corporations."

"A primary will set at rest all controversy. I have no doubt that the party will fully sustain the committee in calling one. But there must be no rock-rolling and repeating like there was in the Senatorial primary. A majority of the Republicans I have talked to favor a primary."

#### THE ISSUE PRESENTED.

"The issue is government by the Republican party or government by Henry P. Dalton," said a fourth. "I am anxious for a primary. I think a Republican primary will put an end to the pretensions of Dalton just as another primary put an end to his pretensions to Congress. If the Republican party in this city is reduced to such a state that it must either submit to the bossism of Henry P. Dalton or be ruled by men who will sell the city out to the water company it had better go out of business."

So the opinions went. Out of eight Committeemen spoke to six expressed themselves as quoted above. It may be added that none of the gentlemen Dalton has singled out for personal attack were questioned in regard to the matter.

Evidently the desire for a primary is the spontaneous growth of public opinion. At the same time it shows a general wish to return to responsible party government and a party organization resting upon the approval of the mass of Republican voters.

Only one of the Committeemen spoken to objected to a primary. He said the Dalton faction would try to scandalize the whole affair by the employment of the same agencies which made the Senatorial primary a reproach to the Republican party. But if the members quoted fairly represent the ideas of the others a primary is among the probabilities. Several well known Republicans not actively interested in politics asserted that a primary was the only feasible method of evolving an organization that could be classed as representative of the party.

Neither Judge Nusbaum, George W. Reed nor M. C. Chapman were seen and it cannot be stated what view they will take of the primary proposition, but in the past they have favored the regular party usage of holding a primary.

Therefore it is among the probabilities that one will be called. The sentiment in favor of a primary is one in robust sympathy with the Committee of Twenty-eight and is utterly opposed to any personal side-shows. It is opposed to bossism of every sort.

## GERMANY ASKS DAMAGES FOR CITIZENS

### Wants U. S. to Pay for Claims Growing Out of Spanish War

#### German Citizens Lost Property in Cuba During the Struggle.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The German Embassy has laid before the State Department the claims of a number of German subjects for damages to their interests in Cuba, as a result of the Spanish-American war and the insurrection which led up to the war itself.

This action has raised a most important issue and the Department of State has given it the closest consideration. It has been concluded, however, that the United States Government cannot accept responsibility for the claims. They are regarded as unrelated to the same in principle as the claims of Porto Rico against Cuba for \$2,000,000 on account of a war loan.

Although in that case Governor Allen of Porto Rico represented the United States Government in preferring the claim, that government was obliged to deny its liability of Cuba under present conditions. The answer to the German presentation will be based upon the reply to Governor Allen recently made.

It is known that other governments besides Germany have claims aggregating a very large sum, all based on the Cuban insurrection and preceding events. They will not be abandoned on account of the attitude of the United States Government, but probably will be held in abeyance until Cuba will have become independent, when they will be presented directly to the island government.

#### SMALLPOX CASES.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. LONDON, Dec. 21.—The Court-Journal today says:

This smallpox situation in Greenwich county is critical. There are several hundred cases and the death rate has been twenty per cent.

The State Board of Health has ordered that every person in the county be vaccinated and all has ordered all railroad to discontinue the sale of tickets and refuse all freight to or from the county. Guards have been stationed to prevent anyone leaving the county. Several persons have been stopped who attempted to cross the Ohio river in ships.

#### SEVEN DROWNED.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. LONDON, Dec. 21.—Dense fogs on the coasts are greatly interfering with navigation and several wrecks have occurred. The British steamer Brunel left London in the Irish channel, beached and sank. Seven of her crew were drowned.

#### Beresford Is Ill.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. LONDON, Dec. 21.—Lord William Beresford is suffering from pneumonia. His morning's condition is reported as slightly improved.

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## NOT HOSTILE TO CANAL TREATY.

### Nicaragua and Costa Rica Will Line Up in Time.

#### Will Not Show Opposition to Plans on the United States.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The State Department has decided to send the amendments to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty to the British government through two channels, one being transmitted to Lord Pauncefote, the British Ambassador, and the other through Ambassador Choate at London, who will present it to the Foreign Office. It is the understanding that the department will make no representation whatever as to the changes made in the treaty, and the Senate amendments will be allowed to speak for themselves, and the action by the department will be purely formal. As the papers have New York on tomorrow's mail steamer, they should reach London New Year's day, so that the negotiations will certainly lapse over into the next century.

It can be authoritatively stated that there has been no exchange whatever, either in the shape of written notes or oral communications, between the State Department, the governments of Nicaragua and Costa Rica, that has developed a threat on the part of those governments to refuse assent to the construction of the canal in view of the action of the United States Senate upon the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. All that is officially known of the attitude of the two governments mentioned is that their representatives here, Senators Correa and Calvo, thoroughly approved of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty as the basis for the canal construction.

Whether or not the changes made in that canal will affect the ratification is not known. The impression prevails that not being called upon to come to a decision on this point until the British government shall have passed upon the Senate amendments, the governments of Nicaragua and Costa Rica will not announce their action by any declaration at this stage.

The British government has not up to this time given the slightest indication as to its purpose on the amended Hay-Pauncefote treaty, and it is understood that the subject will not be taken up by the British Cabinet until the draft of the amended instrument and the advice of the British Ambassador at Washington are received.

#### MURDERER BETTER.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Samuel MacDonald, the Treasury Clerk who shot and killed Frank H. Merz, auditor for the War Department, Saturday, and then attempted suicide, was reported to be better this morning. Last night he had a sinking spell and it was thought he could not survive until morning.

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## AMERICAN AIDS FRAUD IN MANILA.

### Government Cannot Reach Him as He Is Out of Office.

#### Stood in With Mining Men to Disadvantage of Others.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Inquiry at the State Department discloses the fact that no official notice was ever taken by the department of a statement affecting in some measure Oscar P. Williams, who had been Consul to Manila before the Spanish-American war.

Captain Burritt was the author of this statement, and, being in charge of the mining bureau in the Philippines, in the course of his annual report to General MacArthur, commenting upon the filing in an irregular manner of an enormous number of mining claims, said:

"The record disclosed an undefined but apparently close relation of the Hon. Oscar P. Williams, as United States Consul with the Inspectorate of mines that is of such a nature that it seems to require a statement of facts appearing in this bureau."

Captain Burritt then recites some cases where the Consul had certified to certain claims some time after the claims had already been allowed by the Spanish mining officials.

The general statement of the report is that certain mining men, foreseeing the overthrow of Spanish sovereignty in the Philippines, had filed claims on everything in sight in a mining way. But Consul Williams is no longer United States Consul and is not an official of the United States Government, so that it has no longer authority to call upon him in this matter.

The mining claims filed in the irregular fashion, however, are yet within reach, and it is said at the War Department that the Philippine Commission is about to take them up with a view to passing upon their validity. Mr. Williams is now at his home in Syracuse, N. Y.

#### ANOTHER BOY IS

#### KIDNAPED.

#### Kalamazoo Youth Blind-

#### folded and Forced to

#### Walk Many Miles.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. KALAMAZOO, Mich., Dec. 21.—Hobart Clayberg, a 17-year-old boy, whose father, John H. Clayberg, is a prominent citizen of Kalamazoo, Mich., was kidnapped in this city last night by two men.

The boy was blindfolded and compelled to walk to Mattewan, a distance of eleven miles.

It became so stormy that the kidnapers released young Clayberg at Mattewan, after robbing him of a small sum of money.

The boy telegraphed here for help and was brought home during the night.

#### WANT HER TO FIGHT.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 21.—The Colonial Office is anxious to get as many Canadians as possible to join Haden-Powell's mounted police. If 1,000 Canadians volunteer for this service it is the intention of the Imperial Government to offer ten companies and fifteen Headquarters in the force to qualified officers of the Canadian militia.

The pay for the men is five shillings per day from the date of landing in Cape Town with free transportation from Canada to South Africa.

#### FIRE AT JOLIET.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. JOLIET, Ill., Dec. 21.—The Fox Press Street Car Works, one of the largest industries in Joliet, was nearly destroyed by fire early today. Officials say they can make no estimate of the loss at this time. It is thought all the costly machinery, valued at \$100,000, is ruined. The burned building can be replaced for about \$25,000. The mills employed nearly 500 men.

#### Steamer May Be Saved.

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 21.—A powerful wrecking tug with barges and a steamer with forty stevedores left here early today for the stranded steamer Mount Oswald, which went ashore ten days ago, thirty-five miles from Miami. It is believed the steamer will be saved.

## VOLUNTEERS WILL REMAIN IN THE PHILIPPINES.

### War Department Will Not Take Action Till Congress Passes Law.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—As a result of the conference between the Secretary of War and Quartermaster-General Ludington it can be decided that no further action can be taken with regard to the return of volunteers from the Philippines until Congress shall make provision for their replacement.

The War Department is considerably embarrassed by the failure of Congress to make provision before the recess for the relief of the military situation in the Philippines. Acting upon representations made by General MacArthur the Department has concluded that it is absolutely necessary to maintain an army of 60,000 men in the Philippine Islands until the current policy of establishing municipal governments throughout the archipelago has been executed.

It is stated at the Department that with any reduction of the military strength below that figure existing conditions would doubtless prove most disastrous to the interests of the United States.

There are about 60,000 troops, regulars and volunteers, in the Philippines, and arrangements have been already made for bringing home 9,000. No further reduction will be made until the Department is fully advised of the purpose of Congress with regard to army legislation. When the necessary authority has been given it is the purpose of the Department to bring home as rapidly as possible all the volunteers and regulars whose terms of enlistment expire on the 30th of June next, but not before it is possible to replace them men for men with new recruits enlisted under the terms of the new army bill.

It is expected that Congress will act promptly on the army bill soon after it reassembles in January, but even in that event it is said at the War Department that it will not be possible to get the fresh troops to the Philippines inside of two months' time. The general home-coming movement of the mass of volunteers therefore will have to be postponed until about February 1. That will give the Quartermaster's Department but two months' time to bring home the remainder of the volunteers and the regular troops whose terms will expire at the same time, aggregating about 10,000 men before July 1.

This undertaking is believed to be beyond the capacity of the transport service as at present organized, and may necessitate the chartering of additional steamships. Recent advice from General MacArthur indicate a strong desire on the part of the volunteers generally to return to the United States and that comparatively few of them are likely to re-enlist unless the most liberal inducements are offered. It is understood that General MacArthur has recommended that a bounty of \$250 be allowed each soldier in the Philippines who re-enlists for another term and the plan is said to meet with the favor of the officials of the War Department.

#### REIGN OF TERROR

#### IN CITY OF

#### DENVER.

#### Highway Robbers Have

#### the People of City

#### at Their Mercy.

#### Twenty-Five Women Have

#### Been Assaulted Within a

#### Few Weeks.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 21.—Within the past thirty-six hours several alarming assaults and highway robberies have been committed in this city.

An unknown German, who was beaten and robbed, has a fractured skull and cannot recover.

Four other persons were severely injured by footpads. Mrs. D. E. Young was struck on the head with a stone and is suffering from concussion of the brain.

Her assailant did not rob her.

Since August 24th five women have been assaulted in this manner in Denver, one of whom, Mrs. Lillian Bell, died from her injuries.

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#### STEAMER ASHORE.

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ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Dec. 21.—The British steamer Atlanta, Captain Monell, from Nassau for New York, with a general cargo, went ashore this morning on Great Egg harbor bar. Her passengers were safely landed. Simula has been hoisted for assistance. The Atlanta is a vessel of 500 tons.

The Atlanta is in no danger. She carried but two passengers.

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**BOY SLID DOWN**

WRONG CELLAR

DOOR.

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Frank Thompson, an 8-year-old

boy, had an experience today in sliding

down the wrong cellar door.

The boy, who lives at 1215 Third

street, was sliding down the door

when he was caught by the door

which was closed. He was

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**POWERS DECEIVED  
BY RUSSIA'S ACT.****Government Is Running a  
Road It Declared a Pri-  
vate Enterprise.**

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 24.—The Novoe Vremya sharply criticizes the joint note of the powers to China as being too long to produce effect. It says the negotiations against the Empress and the Empress are impossible and that the accusation that Prince Tuan is alone responsible for the treaty is ridiculous. The paper adds: "Russia sometimes betrays her own country, but treason toward foreign countries is a new conception. The statement in the ultimatum that the troops will not be withdrawn before the conditions are accepted cannot mean Russia, whose troops have already vacated Peking, who has no Manchurian affairs to do with the powers. This note will not bring peace. The powers possibly repeat not having initiated Russia's example."

**SAN JOSE HERALD****ARRESTED FOR A****FOUL CRIME.**

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C. M. Shortridge's Paper

Bought By a Local

Syndicate.

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SAN JOSE, Cal., Dec. 24.—The San

Jose Herald was today sold to

Attorney Nicholas Bowden of this city.

The price paid was \$10,000.

It is believed that Mr. Bowden

represents a local syndicate, but no definite

information will be given out.

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PORTO RICO'S WOE

EXAGGERATED.

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Gen. Davis Does Not

Believe Suffering as

Bad as Reported.

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—General

Davis, when seen at the War Depart-

ment concerning the report made pub-

licly today by Dr. Williams, a contract

surgery in the Department of Porto

Rico, setting forth an appalling state

of affairs in that section of Porto

Rico, he should characterize Dr. Wil-

liams' statement as much overdrawn

and exaggerated.

That there was suffering in the col-

lecting section the General said he

had no doubt. "It is very losses in-

creased by the big hurricane, he said,

could have had no result other than to

greatly reduce the number of people

who are suffering from the effects of

the big storm. When the government

passed under civil administration, how-

ever, the issuance of the ration was

the island was sufficiently recovered.

The General said that Dr. Davis was

an able and competent surgeon in the

Department, and, according to a small

report, Dr. Davis, who is a small

man, with a cane, was seen at the

War Department today. He has been

ordered to duty as Inspector-General

Division of the Philippines.

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WINNIPEG WELCOME.

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**FEAR THAT YOUNG  
GOVERNOR PINGREE  
MAY GO TO  
PRISON****Ordered to Appear in  
Court and Answer in  
a Case of Contempt.**

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 24.—On peti-  
tion of members of the Ingham county  
bar, Judge West of the Ingham county  
Court today ordered Governor Pingree  
to appear in court next Saturday  
and show cause why he should not be  
punished for contempt.

The action is based on an interview  
which was published in the Detroit  
Tribune December 17th, in which the  
Governor bitterly attacked Judge West  
and Prosecutor Tuttle of Ingham coun-  
ty.

Attached to the petition for an order  
is an affidavit by the Tribune reporter  
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**CHRISTMAS DAY AT  
CRELLIN HOTEL.**

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The Crellin Hotel at the northwest

corner of Tenth and Washington

streets is in the enjoyment of a pros-

perity which it has never known be-

fore. It is popular with regular board-

ers, both individuals and families, trav-

eling for business and pleasure, and

they come singly or in families or

parties. The house is elaborately fur-

nished and the cuisine is after the

style of the leading hotels of the coun-

try. This great success is due to the

intelligent effort of Manager Fred A.

Jordan who has proven himself to be

just the man who was needed for the

place and who has the esteem of hun-

dreds of people. Tomorrow being

Christmas, an elaborate spread will be

made up as follows at the principal wait-

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MUSIC

Eastern system on half shell

SOUP

Cream of Celery Consomme Royal

FISH

Baked Salmon-Auxiliary Sauce

Tenderloin of Beef-Tartar Sauce

HOLIDAYS

Lettuce

SALAD

Shrimp Salad

HOLIDAYS

Ham-Champagne Sauce

Smoked Tongue-Tomato Sauce

ENTREES

Turkey Liver Patties

Salmon of Caraway Duck with

OLIVES

Banquet Fritters-Wine Sauce

Claret Punch

ROAST

Young Turkey, Chestnut Dressing and

Cranberry Sauce

Sautéed Pig-Apple Sauce

Prime Rib of Beef au Jus

Spring Lamb Mint Sauce

VEGETABLES

Browned Sweet Potatoes

Mashed and Stuffed Potatoes

Sugar Corn

DESSERT

Vanilla Ice Cream

English Plum Crumble, Hard and

Soft Sauce

Hot Mince Pie Lemon Cream Pie

Walnuts Almonds Raisins

Bananas Apples Oranges

Swiss Cheese American Cheese

Assorted Cakes

Tea Coffee Chocolate Cocoa

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HENRY EVERS, JR. IS  
IN NEW YORK CITY.

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Without bringing a fond farewell

to his relatives, Henry Evers, Jr., who

has been in the city for some time

with his father in the undertaking busi-

ness at 265 Washington street, left sud-

denly on the 22nd inst. and is now in New

York city.

His father's departure was not

made known outside of the family circle

until yesterday, when various rum-

ors were circulated.

Mr. Evers, Jr., stated this morning

that he believed his son had sud-

denly determined to see some of the

country outside of Oakland. Young

Evers, who is 22 years old, has spent

nearly all of his life in this city.

Mrs. Evers, wife of the missing young

man, believes that her husband has

grown tired of the undertaking busi-

ness and decided to try for some voca-

tion in another city. She stated that

she hears regularly from him by letter.

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STRIKING GARMEN.

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LONDON, Dec. 24.—The White Star

line steamer, bound from Liverpool to

New York, will have among her pas-

sengers the famous artist and his son,

Count D'Almeida.

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Back to the Society.

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Harry Roberts, who ran away from

the boys and girls' all society in San

Francisco and was subsequently ar-

rested here, was returned to the

county today by order of Justice Quinn.

It is stated that the boy has given the

Society a great deal of trouble and run

away whenever he gets an opportunity

to do so.

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BURGLARS VISIT  
MRS. WARNER'S HOME.

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Mrs. J. Warner reported to the police

today that burglars entered her home,

1014 Thirteenth street, sometime Satur-

day afternoon and stole a small amount

of jewelry.

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New Grand Jury.

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The Superior Judges have decided to

draw a new Grand Jury next Wednes-

day. The panel will be drawn in Judge

Greene's department.

**TWO CLAY COUNTY  
FAMILIES IN  
BATTLE.****Line Up On Sides  
and Let the Bullets  
Fly.**

LONDON, Ky., Dec. 24.—Two men  
were killed and two wounded at Park  
Dismal, twelve miles from here, today.

Four members of the Sizmore family  
on one side and Henry Barrett and W.  
H. Young, on the other, engaged in a  
desperate fight.

Young and one of the Sizmores were  
killed instantly and two of the Siz-  
mores were fatally wounded. An old  
feud was the cause of the trouble.

All are from Clay county.

**PAPAL CEREMONY.**

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ROME, Dec. 24.—The Pope today per-

formed the solemnity of closing the holy

door of St. Peter's Cathedral with the

gorgeous forms usual to great func-

tions of this kind. It was a mag-  
nificent spectacle. There was a greatgathering of the Princes of the church,  
who participated in the ceremony, whichwas witnessed by enormous crowds.

The closing of the holy door took

place with the utmost pomp at the

Catholic Church, His Holiness descend-

ing to St. Peter's Cathedral at 11 a. m.,

and the ceremonies lasted until 1 p. m.

The Pope then returned to his apart-

ments, apparently not fatigued.

**A CITY TRUSTEE  
MAKES CHARGE  
OF BRIBERY.**

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SACRAMENTO, Dec. 24.—At a meet-

ing of the Board of City Trustees to-

day, Trustee M. H. Board, chairman of

the Finance Committee, stated that W.

W. Rhoads, a well-known attorney,

had offered him a bribe to pass the bill

of the City Surveyor's office without

opposition.

City Surveyor Mulhenny and Rhoads

both deny that such offer was ever

made to Board.

The trustees voted to refer the matter

to the Grand Jury for investigation.

**COLLIERY TIED UP.**

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SHAMOKIN, Pa., Dec. 24.—The En-

terprise Colliery, operated by Connel-

ly &amp; Co. of Scranton, was tied up com-

pletely this morning by the 500 em-

ployes of the colliery on a strike because

a number of miners had not paid their

laborers the amounts the latter claimed

in accordance with the 10 per cent in-

crease. The strikers say they will not

return to work until the company either

makes the offending miners settle sat-

isfactorily or discharges them.

**HELP FOR STEAMER.**

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Associated Press Dispatches by

The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

LIVERPOOL, Eng., Dec. 24.—The

North America has been sent to the

assistance of the stranded steamer An-

tilla. The sea is quiet and it is expected

the North America will be able to get

the Antilla at high tide.

**BUSINESS BLOCK FOR A  
CHRISTMAS GIFT.**

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LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 24.—Mrs.

A. J. Hough, of this city has made the

University of Southern California a

Christmas present of a business block

on South Broadway, valued at \$10,000.

The gift is conditional upon the raising

of an additional \$10,000 in two years.

Fifty thousand of this has already been

subscribed, and it is confidently ex-

pected that the remainder will be raised

within the time limit.

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Produce Exchange Closed.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—The Pro-

duce Exchange having adjourned from



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## Amusements.

Macdonough-Allice Nielsen.  
Dewey—"The Sidewalks of New York."  
California—"At the White Horse Tavern."  
Orpheum—Avalanche.  
Alcazar—"Naughty Anthony."  
Tivoli—"Cinderella."  
Columbia—"Wily Smith Left Home."

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1900.

## NO TRIBUNE TOMORROW.

Tomorrow being Christmas there will be no issue of THE TRIBUNE on that day.

If the paper which Bryan intends to establish in Lincoln doesn't have better fortune than has attended similar reform journals in the past there will be no more heard about Bryan being the largest taxpayer in Lincoln.

John P. Holland, the inventor of the submarine boat which bears his name, has an article in an Eastern magazine in which he predicts great things for this type of craft as an engine of war. The insurmountable objection to boats of this description, however, is that the records show them to be as dangerous to their crews as to the enemy.

The readiness with which recruits are being obtained for service in the Philippines is explained partly by the fact that United States soldiers are now being given an opportunity to see something of the world. A few years ago enlistment in our army meant a dull routine of garrison duty, varied occasionally by an Indian campaign. This did not appeal to the adventurous and enterprising man. Now that Uncle Sam gives his fighting men a long ocean voyage and a chance to see a strange and picturesque land there is no scarcity of recruits.

## CHINA'S FATE SEALED.

The fact that the powers have resolved to demand of China indemnities which it is known she cannot pay foreshadows the partition of that empire, and that, too, in the near future. The United States is the only nation that has shown a desire to give China a chance for her life by keeping the indemnity within reasonable bounds, and it is hardly likely that the protest of one government will be heeded when it clashes with the interests of so many countries all actuated by a consuming greed for more territory and unbalanced by the knowledge that the empire from which it is proposed to wrest it is helpless.

It seems, after all, as if that is the only way out of the trouble which China has brought upon herself. The restoration of the empire to the throne and the restoration of the position of ruler of China is out of the question. She would be constantly intriguing against the foreigners, for whom she has a rancorous hatred, all the more deadly from the humiliation and hardship she had to undergo in her hasty flight when the allies entered Peking. Sooner or later there would be an explosion that would bring the armies of the powers to China's capital, and this time they would stay there.

The Emperor is a well meaning man, but he is a weak and timid ruler, and if he were restored to the throne and the Emperor Empress banished he would be absolutely under the influence of the reactionary mandarin, who would use every means in their power to nullify the pledges the powers have compelled Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching to make in behalf of China.

The Chinese empire is doomed. Rotten to the core, destitute of patriotic leaders and permeated in every department by rapacious dishonesty, it can maintain its integrity no longer. Remember that its fate, and it will not long be deferred.

## DIG THE CANAL AT ONCE.

Now that the Hay-Pauncefote treaty has been finally amended by the Senate, it is to be hoped that there will be an end of the everlasting delay that has so far attended the efforts of the friends of the canal to effect the necessary legislation by Congress. There is little doubt that Great Britain will accept the treaty, even though it does abrogate the Clayton-Bulwer convention. Lord Salisbury may make objections, but they will be inspired solely by the hope of getting a satisfactory settlement of the Alaskan boundary dispute, and other matters at issue between the two countries, and in the end the treaty will be accepted.

With the diplomatic difficulties removed work on the canal should be begun at once and pushed to completion, as rapidly as possible. There has been too much time lost already. Aside from the great strategic and military advantages of an isthmian canal, its commercial value is of transcendent importance. No State of the Union has so much to gain by the construction of the canal as has California. The waterway would afford an outlet for our products that would mean millions of dollars added annually to the wealth of the State. Ten thousand miles of ocean travel would be eliminated, and what that means can be seen at a glance. Our wheat, vines and dried fruits would be within easy reach of Eastern and European markets at freight rates that would leave a handsome margin of profit to the grower instead of the deficit that now frequently confronts him.

Besides insuring prosperity into industries now languishing the Nicaragua canal would undoubtedly create many new ones. For example, California fresh fruits would find a ready market in Europe if they could be laid down there at reasonable prices. But with the journey by rail across the continent and the expenses of transshipment at New York it has been found impossible to do this. Were the canal in operation, however, refrigerated steamers could be put on to make the run between California and Europe, and a profitable trade could undoubtedly be worked up.

There are the best of reasons why the canal should be dug at once and no good reason why it should not. It would be an enormous benefit to the entire country and no further delay should be tolerated.

## THE ALTERNATIVE FOR REPUBLICANS

It is time for the Republicans of Oakland to vindicate themselves from the intolerable and degrading calumny that their party organization must either be the slave of Henry P. Dalton or the corrupt tool of some corporation. The representation so impudently and blatantly promulgated that the party cannot be kept honest unless Mr. Dalton is allowed to control it for his own political advancement implies an unbearable reproach to the mass of Republicans in this city. The time has arrived to show that the party can give the city an administration that cannot be controlled by either Mr. Dalton or the corporations. The assumption that we must accept bossism and imbecility or fall into the pit of corruption should be put down with emphasis unless the Republicans of Oakland are prepared to admit that they are unfit to give the city an honest and effective administration.

## OUR UNIVERSITY'S NEEDS.

There is abundant evidence that the meeting at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco Saturday night, called to consider the financial affairs of the State University will be of vast benefit in financially strengthening the institution and popularizing its work with the masses.

Hon. W. R. Davis, representing the alumni, delivered an address that eloquently set forth the marvellous work of the University and its pressing need for increased financial support. The task was a congenial one to Mr. Davis and he performed it with a grace and dash more than equal to the occasion. His address was at once a vindication, a panegyric and an unanswerable appeal to the patriotic pride of the people of California.

His story of the growth and educational power of the institution, like a tale of romance, yet it was fortified by an invincible array of statistics that enforce conviction and invite admiration. It is a revelation to the general public that Berkeley has a larger student body, including the professional schools and special courses in post graduate work, than any University in the United States save Harvard alone; and Harvard is the oldest and wealthiest institution of learning in America, with the advantage of being situated in the most densely populated and literary section of the country.

To this is added two significant facts that should reduce every Californian and imbue him with an earnest purpose to aid the University to maintain its high rank and extend its usefulness. Of all the large universities Berkeley graduates students at the lowest cost per capita, while the standard of scholarship is very high, ranking with the oldest and most favored institutions in the land. Thus the University of California gives the highest instruction at the lowest cost per capita and gives it free of charge to the student. Why should not the people be proud of their University and give it the financial support that is necessary to a maintenance of its lofty standards and high ideals?

Mr. Davis has rendered an invaluable service to the cause of popular education by showing that the University is the most economically administered as well as one of the most useful institutions of its kind on the world. In this new land has been combined the highest efficiency with the lowest cost. The address of Mr. Davis should be carefully read by every citizen of California.

## VERDICT FOR THE CALL.

The verdict for the San Francisco Call in the \$250,000 libel suit brought against the paper by Egon von Schroeder is an emphatic triumph for good morals and a vindication of fearless independence in the discharge of editorial functions. That the Call has performed a signal service to society must be apparent, but it is not so clear to the public mind that the task of exposing corruption when entrenched behind wealth and privilege has entailed great expense and much inconvenience.

Although the Call has been amply and justly sustained at all points it is still a great financial loser. There is no recompense for it save the good opinion of the public, which it richly deserves. True the verdict permits the Call to recover its court costs, but that is a mere bauble in the total of expense.

The loss of able attorneys and the expenditure required to hunt up witnesses and make the proper showing in a court of law require an exceedingly heavy outlay.

It demands both courage and means to face the absolutely certain loss that such an exposure entails. The consciousness of purifying the moral atmosphere and the approval of all right-minded people constitute the utmost limit in the way of reward.

The Call performed its high mission with a fidelity that entitles it to popular respect.

## POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Pawling the engagement ring is a piece of love.

A long walk is a severe trial for the human understanding.

In the ladder of success there are many rounds of failure.

Ignorance is a vice that renders all others less degrading.

Many a man praises virtue who never thinks of practicing it.

A good conscience is the most reliable witness a man can have.

The gloomiest mountain does not cast a shadow on both sides at once.

The prudent society belle tries to make her waist as little as possible.

Don't dress for show. The thinnest soap bubbles have the gayest colors.

The fashionable boarding house table should show less gilding and more eating.

The average baby has no earthly use for anything he can't put in his mouth.

Ambition is the road that leads to fame, but you can't travel over it on a pail.

A wife never objects to her husband's sewing task—providing they are solitaires for her own personal adornment.

When a married man is missing from home his neighbors wonder whether he ran away with a woman or from one.

Disappointment doesn't affect men and women the same. When a man runs across an old love letter he wrote to his wife he laughs, but his wife cries.—Chicago News.

## SOCIETY.

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The fifth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Martin H. Turner was celebrated Saturday evening at their home at Linda Vista Terrace. Among the guests were: Professor and Mrs. Drew, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Davies, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Jacobus, Mrs. J. H. Kendall, Mrs. C. H. Packard, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Stinebaugh, Mr. and Mrs. J. St. John, Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt, the Messrs. Maud and Ethel Sinclair, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nichols, Miss Fanny O'Neill, Mr. Henderson, Arthur Turner, Mr. Holliswood, Fannie Warren and Mr. and Mrs. Willard D. Sinclair.

Mr. and Mrs. Wynne Meredith of Union street, Alameda, will give a card party next Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Colby, will spend the holidays with Mrs. Colby's mother, Mrs. James Munsell.

Mrs. John O'Shaughnessy and Miss Sude Holcomb, both formerly of Oakland, have returned from a year's visit to Manila. They are stopping in San Francisco.

Mrs. Charles Olney of Highland Park, who has been seriously ill, is convalescing.

Mrs. Isaac L. Reilly, Mrs. Oscar Long and Mrs. Lucie King will receive at Highlands on Thursdays in January.

Miss Emma Grimwood who has been touring the Sandwich Islands has returned to her home in Fruitvale.

Mrs. F. Marion Smith will receive at Arbor Villa Wednesdays in January.

John McNair of Liverpool is spending the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. McNair, on Linden street.

Mrs. Genevieve Abbott has returned to her home on Eleventh street, after a six months' visit to the principal Eastern cities.

There will be a family gathering and Christmas tree this evening at the home of Mrs. Hiram Tubbs, East Oakland. Among others the George Greenmans, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Halls and Henry Nichols will be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Minor Goodall have a Christmas tree at their home, 1014 Broadway, and will entertain the Cullens and others.

Among others who will have Christmas trees are: Mrs. Charles Holt, at her home, 1255 Madison street, on Christmas night; Mrs. Ernest Folger, 1221 Webster street, Christmas morning; Mrs. H. H. Gray and Mrs. Macdonald of Adelphi street.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Tate will celebrate their fifth wedding anniversary Christmas day at their home on Myrtle street. They were married at Mobility, Missouri, but the greater part of their wedding life has been spent in California. They have three children.

Attention of being present and celebrating with the old couple are: Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. Q. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. U. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. X. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. Y. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. Q. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. 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